

Applying for Social Security

DISABILITY BENEFITS

Applying for disability benefits from Social Security is a PROCESS that starts with contacting Social Security in one of these ways:

- **GO ONLINE to the Social Security website, www.ssa.gov**
 - Click on *Apply for Disability in upper right corner*
 - **On the page that opens, you can learn about and apply for Disability Benefits. Click on *Apply for Disability***
 - Be sure to print out the page containing your **Re-entry Number** AND write this number down, too! Then you can go back into the application later by clicking on ***Return to a Saved Application***.
 - For your medical information, enter “hospitals/clinics” first. You only need to use the “doctors” tab for doctors who are not part of a clinic you go to.
 - If you want a benefit specialist to look at what you’ve done online, call the ADRC **before** you submit it! Once you submit the claim, you cannot make changes online anymore.
 - When you are sure you’re done, print out the Receipt, which will include a copy of the information you submitted.

If you want to apply for SSI (Supplemental Security Income), a disability program for people with very limited income and resources, you MUST contact Social Security to set up an interview).

OR



- **CALL or VISIT a Social Security office.**
 - **National toll-free number, 1-800-772-1213**
 - Fond du Lac SSA office (888-717-1526) serves most of Dodge County
 - Watertown residents call the Waukesha Field Office (866-220-7885)
 - Hartford residents call the West Bend Field office (888-655-0843)

*If you are unable to contact Social Security or if you need help with an appeal,
A benefit specialist at the ADRC may be able to help:*



Aging & Disability Resource Center of Dodge County
199 County Road DF, 3rd Floor, Juneau, WI 53039
920-386-3580 or 800-924-6407